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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is:
  - Amendment In Response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2004 (7 pages)
  - Amendment Transmittal (3 pages)
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STATUS

2. Applicant  
 claims small entity status.  
 is other than a small entity.

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## **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a)  Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
second month	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
third month	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
fourth month	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00
fifth month	\$1,960.00	\$ 980.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

— An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ .

OR

(b)  Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)		SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		ADDITIONAL RATE FEE		ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	
TOTAL	12	MINUS	20	= 0		x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$ 0.00	
INDEP.	3	MINUS	3	= 0		x \$42 = \$		x \$84 = \$	
— FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						+ \$130 = \$		+ \$280 = \$	
						TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$ 0.00	

(a)  No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEE PAYMENT

5. \_\_\_\_\_ Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6.  If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ Other:

  
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